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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
ADAMAN MUTUAL WATER COMPANY FOR A  
RATE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. W-01997A-12-0501

RATE CASE  
PROCEDURAL ORDER

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On December 28, 2012, Adaman Mutual Water Company ("Adaman" or "Company") filed a rate application with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") as directed in Decision No. 72506 (August 3, 2011) ("Application"), and submitted corrections to the Application on March 7, 2013, which subsequently were filed with Docket Control on April 19, 2013.

On March 25, 2013, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") notified the Company that the Application was sufficient under the guidelines outlined in Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.") R14-2-103, and classified the Company as a Class C utility.

On April 25, 2013, a Procedural Order was docketed setting the hearing for September 24, 2013, and setting deadlines for other filings.

As required by the Procedural Order, the Company docketed its Affidavit of Mailing and Publication on June 10, 2013. Adaman averred it had mailed notice of the hearing to its customers on May 22, 2013, and published notice in the *West Valley Business* on May 21, 2013.

Staff filed its Direct Testimony on August 7, 2013.

On August 30, 2013, Adaman filed a Motion for Continuance, stating that the Company and Staff were discussing a potential settlement in this matter. Adaman requested an indefinite continuance of the procedural schedule outlined in the April 25, 2013, Procedural Order to allow the parties the time necessary to engage in formal settlement discussions. The Company noted it had spoken with Staff and Staff did not object to the Motion.

The Company's request is reasonable and should be granted.

1        However, Adaman has already published notice and advised its customers of the hearing date;  
2 accordingly, the original hearing date of September 24, 2013, will be utilized for Public Comment.

3        IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Commission shall take **Public Comment on the**  
4 **Application on September 24, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the  
5 Commission's offices, **Hearing Room No. 1**, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

6        IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the **hearing** scheduled to begin in this matter on  
7 **September 24, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.**, and continuing on **September 25, 2013**, at the Commission's  
8 offices, **Hearing Room No. 1**, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona, **is hereby vacated**.

9        IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Company shall file a **Status Update** for this matter  
10 with Docket Control **on or before September 30, 2013**.

11        IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **all remaining filing deadlines are vacated**, including the  
12 Company's rebuttal testimony that was required to be filed August 30, 2013.

13        IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the **time clock in this matter is suspended**.

14        IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the *Ex Parte* Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113 - Unauthorized  
15 Communications) applies to this proceeding and shall remain in effect until the Commission's  
16 Decision in this matter is final and non-appealable.


17        IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with the Rules of the Arizona  
18 Supreme Court 31 and 38, and A.R.S. §40-243 regarding the practice of law and admission *pro hac*  
19 *vice*.

20        IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that withdrawal of representation must be made in compliance  
21 with A.A.C. R14-3-104(E) and Rule 1.16 of the Rules of Professional Conduct (under Rule 42 of the  
22 Rules of the Arizona Supreme Court). Representation before the Commission includes the obligation  
23 to appear at all hearings and procedural conferences, as well as all Open Meetings for which the  
24 matter is scheduled for discussion, unless counsel has previously been granted permission to  
25 withdraw by the Administrative Law Judge.

26        IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the time periods specified herein shall not be extended  
27 pursuant to Rule 6(a) or (e) of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure.

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter, amend,  
2 or waive any portion of this Procedural Order by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at hearing.

3 DATED this 3rd day of September, 2013.

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6 BELINDA A. MARTIN  
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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